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1. AT FEBRUARY 14 FONOFF DINNER FOR DELEGATES, SOVIET CHARGE JOURAVLEV ASKED FOR MY REACTION TO QADHAFI'S SPEECH TO THE CONFERENCE PREVIOUS EVENING AND THEN PROCEEDED TO GIVE HIS OWN. HE FOUND QADHAFI'S REMARKS UNEXCEPTIONAL AND SUPERFICIAL AND DESIGNED TO IMPROVE HIS AFRICAN CREDENTIALS. TO MY QUERY AS TO WHETHER QADHAFI'S STERN WARNING AGAINST NON-
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AFRICAN INTERFERENCE IN HORN CONFLICT MIGHT REFER TO SOVIET ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN ETHIOPIA, JOURAVLEV RESPONDED NEGATIVELY. HE REITERATED SUCH PRO FORMA STATEMENTS WERE TO BE EXPECTED ON SUCH OCCASIONS. MOREOVER, HE OBSERVED QADHAFI HAD NOT DEVOTED MUCH ATTENTION TO SUPERPOWERS, RATHER HIS WARNINGS WERE DIRECTED TO FORMER EUROPEAN COLONIALIST STATES.

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2. POSSIBLE THAT SOVIETS AT LEAST LOCALLY ARE FEELING SOMEWHAT SENSITIVE IN PRESENCE OF AFRICAN CONCLAVE, MANY OF WHOSE REPRESENTATIVES HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN RECENTLY TO EMBOFFS OVER SOVIET INTENTIONS IN AFRICA.
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